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Dear Dr. McAllister,

The American Association of Immunologists (AAI) Committee on the Status of Women is a Committee which serves the AAI membership by providing a sounding board and an avenue through which important scientific and non-scientific issues can be raised and addressed. To this end, we have established an Annual Special Symposium which focuses on these issues. This Symposium is presented as part of our Annual Meeting and strives to present topics which are of interest to the scientific community at large. This year our Special Symposium will focus on women's health issues. The Symposium is entitled "**Modern Women, Modern Plagues. Looking Toward the 21st Century**" and will take place at the AAI Annual Meeting which will be held jointly this year with the Clinical Immunology Society, in Denver, Colorado, May 21-25, 1993. Because of your interest in promoting excellence among all scientists at your Corporation, we would like to offer you the opportunity to support this program with a contribution.

Dr. M. Joycelyn Elders, Surgeon General will be our Keynote Speaker, and she will provide a brief overview of women's health issues. Subsequently, scientific talks will be presented on three diseases of particular importance to women: Systemic Lupus Erythematosus, Breast Cancer, and Heterosexual AIDS. The Preliminary Program is enclosed for your perusal.

Since the AAI provides no funds for Special Programs such as this one, we are totally dependent on outside resources. We anticipate that the program expenses (including speakers' travel, honorarium, per diem, refreshments and advertisements) will be \$15,000 and would appreciate a contribution. Checks can be made out to the AAI/Women's Committee and mailed to the address on the letterhead. Your support will be acknowledged in the meeting program. We look forward to hearing from you by March 15, 1993.

Your support is essential in helping to develop the full potential of all women scientists, including those women at your Company who are dedicated to achieving the goals of your Corporation. Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

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